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Bureau of Land Management Releases Kanab Field Office Proposed Resource Management Plan

The Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office, is pleased to announce that the Proposed Resource Management Plan (PRMP) and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Kanab Field Office is available for review. BLM prepared the PRMP/FEIS in consultation with cooperating agencies, taking into account public comments received during this planning effort. This PRMP/FEIS provides a framework for the future management direction and appropriate use of BLM-administered lands and resources located in Kane and Garfield counties, Utah. The document contains both land use planning decisions and implementation decisions to guide the BLM's management of the Kanab Field Office. The PRMP/FEIS is open for a 30-day review and protest period beginning July 18, the date the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published the Notice of Availability of the FEIS in the *Federal Register*.

This PRMP/FEIS has been developed in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA). The PRMP/FEIS is largely based on Alternative B, the Preferred Alternative in the Draft RMP and EIS, which was released in October 2007. This PRMP/FEIS contains the proposed plan and potential impacts of the proposed plan. The alternatives presented the Draft RMP/EIS are also provided for comparative purposes. Major comments received during the public review period of the Draft RMP/EIS and responses to these comments are provided on an attached CD. To aid the reader, substantive changes made between the Draft RMP/EIS and the PRMP/FEIS are described in Chapter 1 and are detailed in Appendix 11.

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All protests, including the follow-up letter (if e-mailing or faxing) must be in writing and mailed to the following address:

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Attention: Brenda Williams
P.O. Box 66538
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All protests must be postmarked on or before August 18th, the end of the 30-day protest period following publication of this notice by the EPA.

For more information, see our website at <http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/kanab/planning.html>

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